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March 11, 2019

Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W., Room TW-A306  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**RE: Supplemental Filing in support of the January 8, 2019 Petition for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier on behalf of Meriwether Lewis Connect, LLC under Filing Confirmation # 2019011079893919**

**Telecommunications Carriers Eligible for Universal Service Support, WC Docket No. 09-197**

Dear Secretary Dortch,

Please find enclosed, on behalf of Meriwether Lewis Connect, LLC (FRN 0027382639) a supplemental filing and clarification to the petition for designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (“ETC”) pursuant to Section 214(e)(6) of the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §214(e)(6). This supplemental filing is as a result of and in response to a telephone conversation held on March 4, 2019 with Ms. Nissa Laughner. By way of clarification Meriwether Lewis Connect, LLC provides the following statement:

Meriwether Lewis Connect, LLC seeks from the Commission a high-cost and low income ETC designation status in its winning area of the CAF Phase II-eligible census blocks (attached as Supplemental EXHIBIT A-Auction 903 Census Blocks) as pulled from the Connect America Fund Phase II: Assignments - Assigned Census Blocks Database found at the FCC’s Auction 903 Public Notice website, [https://auctiondata.fcc.gov/public/projects/auction903/reports/all\\_assigned\\_census\\_blocks](https://auctiondata.fcc.gov/public/projects/auction903/reports/all_assigned_census_blocks), i.e. Published List of CAF Eligible Census Blocks. This supplement further clarifies that Petitioner understands that any support applies to these census blocks for which Meriwether Lewis Connect, LLC was awarded as a winner of the CAF Phase II auction (“Auction 903”) and excludes any other additional areas. Petitioner intends to provide low-income services in the contiguous areas of the census blocks. Finally, Petitioner

commits to serving the entire census block and understands it must offer Lifeline service throughout the ETC designated service area, in accordance with FCC rules and requirements.

Do not hesitate to contact me should you require additional information or have any questions regarding the enclosed material.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Terri K. Firestein". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'T' and 'F'.

Terri K. Firestein  
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Regulatory Consultant to Meriwether Lewis Connect, LLC

Cc: Keith Carnahan, President & CEO

Enclosures